



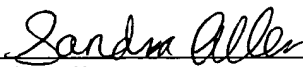
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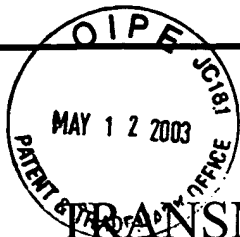
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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants hereby make of record the patents and publications listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449, and other information contained herein, for consideration by the Examiner in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. Copies of the patents and publications are enclosed and are labeled A74-A78 and C1.

REMARKS

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.97, this statement is being filed (CHECK ONE):

- ☒ (1) within three (3) months of the **filing date** of a national application other than a continued prosecution application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(d), or within three (3) months of the **date of entry of the national stage** as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.491 in an international application, or before the mailing of the **first Office action** on the merits, or before the mailing of a **first Office action** after the filing of a request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. 1.114; or
- ☐ (2) after the period defined in (1) but before the mailing date of a **final action** or a **notice of allowance** under 37 C.F.R. 1.311, and
- ☐ the requisite Statement is below, **OR**
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- ☐ (3) after the mailing date of a **final action** or **notice of allowance** but before the payment of the **issue fee**, **AND**
- ☐ the requisite Statement is below, **AND**
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It is respectfully requested that each of the patents and publications listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, and other information contained herein, be made of record in this application.

STATEMENT

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- ☐ 1. Each item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application **not more than three months** prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement; or
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	A74	2,825,329	3/4/58	Caesar			2/4/53
	A75	5,720,765	2/24/98	Thal			11/1/95
	A76	5,810,854	9/22/98	Beach			1/24/97
	A77	5,849,019	12/15/98	Yoon			10/7/97
	A78	2002/0082619A1	6/27/02	Cabak et al.			12/27/00

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	C1	International Search Report for PCT/US02/39506, 9 pages, Mailed March 31, 2003.							

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